

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of the above-identified patent application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendment and the following remarks.

The specification was objected to as containing an informality. The specification has been amended to substitute "(not shown)" for the offending text "(not shown?". The amended paragraph begins on page 16, line 6 of Applicant's copy of the specification. The Examiner is requested to kindly make the necessary amendment at the corresponding paragraph in the specification of record.

Claims 1 - 7 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by United States Patent No. 7,014,141 for UNMANNED AIRBORNE RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT, issued March 21, 2006 to Beverly Cox et al. Applicant invented the subject matter of the instant invention before the effective filing date of COX et al. Applicant has filed herewith an affidavit in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.131 swearing behind COX et al., thereby effectively overcoming the rejection of claims 1 - 7.

Claims 8 - 16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over COX et al. Applicant's affidavit in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.131 effectively removes COX et al. as a reference, thereby also overcoming the rejection of claims 8 - 16.

Claims 1, 5, 9, and 13 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of double patenting over United States Patent No. 6,615,166 for CABLE CONNECTIONS BETWEEN AN UNMANNED AIRCRAFT AND A DETACHABLE DATA HANDLING MODULE, September 2, 2003 to Ernest A. Carroll. A terminal disclaimer filed herewith is believed to overcome the rejection of claims 1, 5, 9, and 13.

Applicant believes that claims 1 - 16 are now in condition for allowance and respectfully requests that claims 1 - 16 be allowed and the application passed to issue.

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